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### **U.S. NON-IMMIGRANT VISA FEE CHANGE EFFECTIVE APRIL 13, 2012**

**DHAKA, APRIL 4 --** Effective April 13, 2012, the processing fee for most U.S. non-immigrant visas will increase per the following fee schedule.

Type of Visa	Previous Fee	New Fee
Tourist, Business, Transit, Crew Member, Student, Exchange Visitor, and Journalist visas (B, C, D, F, J, and I)	\$140	\$160
Petition-Based visas (H, L, O, P, Q, and R)	\$150	\$190
Treaty Investor and Trader visas (E)	\$390	\$270
Fiancé(e) visas (K)	\$350	\$240

Current visa fees no longer cover the actual cost of processing non-immigrant visa applications. The increased fees will allow the U.S. State Department to improve the visa application process and support additional staffing to meet increased visa demand.

Two types of visas will see a significant fee reduction.

For fees that are increasing, receipts for fees paid under the previous fee schedule will be valid for 90 days from the effective date of the new fees. For example, visa applicants who paid the prior \$140 or \$150 application processing fee before April 13, 2012, will be processed without additional cost if they are scheduled and appear for a visa interview before July 12, 2012.

Any payments made by visa applicants after April 13, 2012, regardless of the interview date must be for the full revised USD fee. MRV receipts are valid for one year from the date of payment.

There is no change in the fee collection procedures. Non-immigrant visa applicants must deposit the MRV application fee and obtain a receipt from the Standard Chartered Bank office located at Gulshan Avenue (opposite the Pakistani Embassy) in Dhaka. The Non-Immigrant Visa appointment scheduling service by Saimon Overseas Limited will also remain unchanged.

For complete information on applying for a non-immigrant visa to the United States, please visit the U.S. Embassy's web site at [http://dhaka.usembassy.gov/non-immigrant\\_visas.html](http://dhaka.usembassy.gov/non-immigrant_visas.html)

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